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**Allan L. Gropper**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1944  
Education: Yale 1965 BA; Harvard 1969 JD  
Began Service: October 4, 2000  
Term Expires: October 3, 2014

**Legal Practice:** Civil Appeal Bureau, Legal Aid Society (1969-1971);  
Associate and Partner, White & Case LLP (1972-2000)

**Current Memberships:** American Bankruptcy Institute; American Bar  
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**Robert Dale Drain**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: June 1957  
Education: Yale 1979 BA; Columbia 1984 JD  
Began Service: May 2002  
Term Expires: May 2016

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP

**Current Memberships:** The Association of the Bar of the City of New York

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**James M. Peck**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Dartmouth 1967 BA; NYU 1971 JD  
Began Service: 2006  
Term Expires: 2020

**Legal Practice:** Associate and Partner, Duane, Morris LLP (1975-1990);  
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**Martin Glenn**

Bankruptcy Judge

Began Service: November 2006  
Term Expires: 2020

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Chief Judge Henry J. Friendly, United States Court  
of Appeals for the Second Circuit (1971-1972)

**Legal Practice:** Attorney, O'Melveny & Myers (1972-2006)

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**Burton R. Lifland**

Bankruptcy Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1929  
Education: Syracuse 1951 BS; Fordham 1954 JD  
Began Service: 1980

**Judicial:** Chief Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern  
District of New York (1984-1996); Chief Judge, United States Bankruptcy  
Appellate Panel for the Second Circuit (1996-1999)

**Current Memberships:** American College of Bankruptcy; The Association  
of the Bar of the City of New York; Federal Bar Association; National  
Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; New York County Lawyers' Association

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**Richard J. Arcara**  
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1940  
Education: St Bonaventure 1962 BA; Villanova 1965 JD  
Began Service: June 1, 1988  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Academic:** Lecturer, State University of New York at Buffalo

**Government:** Attorney, Office of the United States Attorney, United States  
Department of Justice (1969-1981); District Attorney, State of New York  
(1982-1988)

**Legal Practice:** Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Schuller & James  
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**Military Service:** United States Army (1966-1967)

**Current Memberships:** American Judicature Society; National Association  
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**William M. Skretny**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1945  
Education: Canisius 1966 AB;  
Howard U 1969 JD; Northwestern 1972 LLM  
Began Service: October 1, 1990  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush  
Political Affiliation: Republican



**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, Northern District of  
Illinois, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of  
Justice (1971-1973); First Assistant United States Attorney, Western  
District of New York, Office of the United States Attorney, United States  
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of Erie, New York (1983-1988)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Duke, Holzman, Yaeger & Radlin (1981-1983);  
Counsel, Gross, Shuman, Brizdle & Gilfillan, P.C. (1988-1989); Counsel,  
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**Charles J. Siragusa**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Le Moyne 1969 BA; Albany Law 1976 JD  
Began Service: December 15, 1997  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Academic:** Teacher, St. James School (1969-1973)

**Government:** Assistant District Attorney, County of Monroe, New York  
(1977-1984); First Assistant District Attorney, County of Monroe, New  
York (1984-1992)

**Judicial:** Justice, New York Supreme Court, Seventh Judicial District  
(1993-1997)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Bar Association; Federal Judges  
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